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PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF FISCAL YEAR 2001 RESIDENTIAL ENERGY CONSERVATION SERVICE PROGRAM BUDGET

Petition of Boston Edison Company, Cambridge Electric Light Company, and Commonwealth Electric Company, pursuant to G.L. c. 164 App., §§ 2-1 through 2-10 and 220 C.M.R. § 7.00 et seq., for approval by the Department of Telecommunications and Energy of Commonwealth Gas Company's proposed operating budget for the Residential Energy Conservation Service Program for the period January 1, 2001 through December 31, 2001 ("FY 2001").

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PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF FISCAL PERIOD 2001

ENERGY CONSERVATION SERVICE PROGRAM BUDGET AND

RECOVERY OF PROGRAM OPERATING COSTS

Boston Edison Company, Cambridge Electric Light Company, and Commonwealth Electric Company, all doing business as NSTAR Electric (collectively, "NSTAR Electric"), pursuant to G.L. c. 25, § 19; G.L. c. 164 App. §§ 2-1 through 2-10; and 220 C.M.R. §§ 7.00 et seq., request approval by the Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department") of NSTAR Electric's proposed budgets and allocation of program operating costs for their residential energy conservation service ("RCS") program for the fiscal period January 1, 2001 through December 31, 2001 ("FY01"). In support of the Petition, NSTAR Electric states the following:

- 1. NSTAR Electric provides RCS to customers through contracts with Conservation Services Group ("CSG"), which purchased the assets of Mass-Save, Inc.
- 2. Pursuant to G.L. c. 25, § 19, NSTAR Electric funds all of its energy efficiency programs, including ECS, out of the mandatory per kilowatthour charge.
- 3. Boston Edison Company's budget for RCS during FY01 is \$1,000,000
 - 1. Cambridge Electric Light Company's budget for RCS during FY01 is \$24,911

- 2. Commonwealth Electric Company's budget for RCS during FY01 is \$277,157.
- 6. NSTAR Electric states that its FY01 RCS budget projections are good faith estimates based on an extrapolation of the estimates for FY00. NSTAR Electric asserts that its twelve-month estimated expenditures for FY01 are reasonable.
- 7. NSTAR Electric has complied with the applicable requirements established in G.L. c. 164 App. §§ 2-1 through 2-10; and 220 C.M.R. §§ 7.00 et seq.; and Mass-Save, Inc. D.P.U. 85-189 (1985).
- 8. Pursuant to G.L. c. 164 App., §§ 2-1 through 2-10, the Division of Energy Resources ("DOER") must adopt a state plan and promulgate regulations necessary to implement that plan. DOER is responsible for: (a) establishing residential energy and conservation goals; (b) establishing RCS program guidelines; (c) monitoring the implementation of the program requirements; and (d) overseeing the implementation of the state plan by approving a utility implementation plan.
- 9. DOER has commenced implementation of the redesign of the RCS program, including the amendment of existing regulations. NSTAR Electric is participating in this process.
- 10. Once the DOER redesign is complete, NSTAR Electric will notify the Department of changes, if any, that they intend to make to their RCS program to comply with the DOER redesign.
- 11. In support of this Petition, NSTAR Electric hereby incorporates into this Petition the following exhibits:
 - 1. Exhibit 1, a copy of the Residential Conservation Services Program description, section III, pages16-20 of NSTAR Electric's joint Three Year Energy Efficiency Plan filed with the Department in D.T.E. 00-63 on July 27, 2000.
 - 2. Exhibit 2, abbreviated DOER Tables 2 & 3 year 2001 RCS budgets and out-sourced services for Boston Edison Company, Cambridge Electric Light Company, and Commonwealth Electric Company as filed in NSTAR's Three-Year Energy Efficiency Plan.
 - 3. Exhibit 3, detailed budget summaries for Boston Edison Company, Cambridge Electric Light Company, and Commonwealth Electric Company, similar in format to those filed last year. The Boston Edison format differs from that of Commonwealth and Cambridge as Boston Edison is not a Mass-Save member and the other two companies are.
 - 4. Exhibit 4, a summary description of the changes to the RCS program that are being proposed in connection with the DOER RCS redesign.

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Wherefore, the petitioners, NSTAR Electric, hereby respectfully request that the Department approve, after publication of notice, and as required by applicable law and regulations, the proposed RCS budgets of Boston Edison Company, Cambridge Electric Light Company, and Commonwealth Electric Company for the months January 1, 2001 through December 31, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

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